

ARMY & NAVY

NAVAL MILITIA WILL PROBABLY LEAVE SEPT. 13

Members Urged to Be Present
Tonight, to Agree on Date
For Practise Cruise

That the 15-day practise cruise of the Naval Militia of Hawaii on the U. S. first-class cruiser St. Louis, now at Pearl Harbor, will probably begin about September 13, and will include visits to Lahaina, Maui; Hilo, Hawaii, and the South Seas, is probable, according to information from reliable sources today.

Although no definite date has been settled on, the most feasible plan suggested, in view of the fact that many of the naval militiamen are to row Regatta Day, September 16, seems to be, according to officers of the organization, to leave here with all enlisted men except the Regatta contestants, cruise around the islands, return for the rowers and pick them up here the day after the races, then to cruise down into the South Seas for the remainder of the time. There are 100 enlisted men and eight officers in the Naval Militia now. Ten are entered for the races.

From this port the cruiser will probably go to Lahaina, Maui, where the water is smooth for boat drills, and from there to Hilo, on the Big Island, where the militiamen and the St. Louis's officers and enlisted men will have a chance to visit Kilauea volcano. Every member of the Naval Militia is urged to attend tonight's meeting, so a date for the cruise can be agreed upon.

By leaving here September 13, returning three days later to pick up the militiamen who are entered in the regatta events and then completing the cruise into the South Seas, the cruiser with her 14-knot speed, could thus return to port September 30 or October 1.

At 7:30 o'clock this evening all members of the Naval Militia of Hawaii will meet in the capitol grounds bungalow for the purpose of agreeing on a satisfactory date for the 15-day cruise of the organization for which was received from Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels last Saturday, and first made public by the Star-Bulletin.

All members who have not been fully equipped with clothing issued them and all equipment will be properly marked. Every member of the naval militia is asked to attend so that the number that will be able to go on the cruise can be definitely ascertained. Plans and arrangements will be made tonight as well.

AUTHORIZATION FOR COAL-SCOW RECEIVED

Authorization for the construction of an army coal scow, costing \$6500, for use in coaling transports here, was received today by Lieut.-Col. James B. Houston, depot quartermaster of the Hawaiian department. The new scow is needed to facilitate speedy handling of bunker coal from and to transports.

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CHANGES AT FT. SHAFTER OFFICE BUILDING MADE

Entire Garrison Takes Part
in Final Service Before
Regiment Divides

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)
FORT SHAFTER, AUG. 15.—Quite a number of changes have been made in the headquarters building; the post-office under the charge of Mrs. Ernest W. Ely has been placed on the front porch to the left of the entrance, and the regimental printing office is under the stairway in the hall, while the offices of the regimental sergeant-major will be enlarged by removing the partitions and extending the rooms to include the adjacent porches. The library room and the telephone office will remain as at present for the time being.

Capt. J. B. Richardson is on sick leave and will join the new 32nd Infantry at the earliest opportunity.

Sergeant Francis Leigh, formerly of the 2nd Infantry band, and orchestra leader in the amusement hall, has become leader of the 32nd Infantry band and will reside at Schofield with his new regimental organization.

The entire garrison assembled in the Fort Shafter amusement hall Sunday night to take part in the last Sunday service as a united regiment before the separation of the 32nd Infantry from the 2nd. Old hymns were sung with much feeling and Chaplain William Reese Scott, 2nd Infantry, addressed the men upon the appropriate subject of "Influence and the Example of Washington." After the singing of "America," the usual conclusion of the service, the entire congregation united in "Auld Lang Syne," and the 2nd Infantry as an organization parted with some of the finest officers and men in the United States army.

Hawaiian Department headquarters has called to the attention of the authorities at Fort Shafter the proper methods of caring for and carrying time interval records. This advance is necessitated by the great number of such devices turned in requiring repairs.

2nd Lieut. Sidney H. Foster, formerly of the 2nd Infantry, and stationed for a long time at Fort Shafter, but until recently a member of the 24th Infantry, has resigned from the army.

Some of the eastern states are arranging to send commissioners to the Mexican border to take the votes of the state troops as was done during the Civil War; but the state of California among others will not give the troops an opportunity to vote. These are decisions under the National Defense Act which may renew the agitation for the right of suffrage for the regular army.

The Y. M. C. A. building at Governor's Island, familiar to many members of the 2nd Infantry, was severely damaged by the munition explosion on Black Tom Island near New York City; several officers and men stationed at Fort Jay and at Bedloe's Island were injured. Those stationed at Bedloe's Island were for a time under fire from the numerous explosions of shrapnel.

Pvt. Short of L. Company, 2nd Infantry, met with a serious accident by striking a rock with the front wheel of his motor-cycle, twisting and

BANDMASTER IS CERTAIN HE CAN FORM BIG BAND

Carl S. Baker Predicts Pearl
Harbor Will Have 30-Piece
Organization Shortly

Instead of a 15-man band for the Pearl Harbor naval station, the plans of Bandmaster Carl S. Baker, who arrived on the U. S. army transport Logan Saturday to take charge of band affairs there, contemplate the reorganization of a band of 25 or 30 pieces.

"I have just come from the San Francisco school for navy musicians," he says, "and I hope to be able to organize a sizable band here of at least 25 or 30 Hawaiian musicians. I have had charge of the navy musicians' school of Norfolk, Va., training bandmen for the navy, and just before I came here finished training a 20-piece band at Goat Island and sent it to the East coast."

Baker is a personal friend of Capt. Henri Berger, veteran former leader of the Hawaiian Band. He has known him for the last 10 years, having met him both in Honolulu and in Germany.

The navy bandmaster will make his Honolulu headquarters at the Blaisdell Hotel at present. His hours at Pearl Harbor will be from 8 o'clock in the morning until noon, and from 2 o'clock in the afternoon until 4 he will be at his studio in the Blaisdell. Sunday mornings he will be at the hotel from 8 until 10 o'clock in the morning.

Baker's wife is coming over on the next transport and he will then take a house here and locate in Honolulu. He said today he has been in the United States navy for 15 years, having joined when he was 17. He is also a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, where he specialized in pianoforte and violin. Several years ago he was in vaudeville and was quite successful.

cutting his leg. The accident occurred while riding on the main road through the cantonment.

Instruction in combat practise with exercises for the 2nd Infantry is ordered to begin August 15. Lieut.-Col. William Weigel will have charge of the same, and will make proper assignments and supervise all details. The range selected will be the "Class B," and the range officer will act under Lieut.-Col. Weigel's instructions.

WAR DEPARTMENT TO ERECT NEW BARRACKS HERE BY JULY, 1920

To keep pace with the annual growth of military strength on Oahu, as the yearly increment, the War Department's plan for which was printed by the Star-Bulletin last week, is made, the department intends to have all buildings for the new regiments completed by July 1, 1920, when the final increment goes into effect.

The quartermaster-general of the army has been called on by the War Department to prepare estimates for at least temporary construction, to begin at once. It is probable that most of the new barracks and other buildings on Oahu will be built at Schofield Barracks. New construction in the Philippines and Canal Zone must also be completed by July 1, 1920.

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ORDNANCE DEPOT WILL BE BUILT AT FT. SHAFTER

Expenditure of \$300,000 For
Group of Army Buildings
is Authorized Today

Following fast upon the receipt of last week's \$127,000 appropriation for a supply depot group at Fort Shafter, authorization was received by mail today for the erection of a \$300,000 ordnance depot at the same post, an appropriation for it having been included in the sundry civil bill, now a law. The new depot is one of the units planned for the big military force which Oahu will have by 1920, a force close to 17,000 enlisted men.

The appropriation provides for five storehouses, costing \$99,000; six gun sheds, \$65,000; five magazines, \$85,000; two shop buildings, \$35,500; an office building, \$12,000; a barracks building, \$12,000; field officers' quarters, \$6,000; company officers' quarters, \$5,000; two sets non-commissioned officers' quarters, \$5,000; stable, \$6,000; wagon sheds and garage, \$3,000; water, sewer and electrical connections, \$5,500; transportation facilities and construction of roads, \$18,500. Total, \$300,000.

Authorization of this expenditure was received by Capt. Charles G. Mettler, ordnance department, armament officer of the Hawaiian army district.

FIELD OFFICERS ARE ORDERED TO BORDER AT ONCE

Six prominent army officers of Oahu, all field officers, were today ordered by a war department cable from Washington, to proceed on the first transport to the mainland for duty with troops on the border.

The order received at Hawaiian department headquarters this morning, reads as follows:

"Evans,
"Honolulu.
"Following officers relieved from duty Hawaiian department and ordered to proceed on first available transport to Southern department for duty: William W. Forsyth, Edmund S. Wright, Julian A. Benjamin, Harris L. Roberts, Carl Reichmann, Charles E. Tayman.
"McCain."

MATSONIA NIGHT AT HEINIE'S

A cordial invitation is extended to the passengers and officers from the Matsonia to join with the army and navy people and town folk in the dinner-dance to be given at Heinie's Tavern, on the beach at Waikiki, this evening.

This will be an unusually pleasant occasion and the Misses Claire Simpson and Kyria Gibbins will entertain with popular songs and ballads between dances.—Adv.

HIGH LIVING COSTS COMBATED IN RUSSIA

PETROGRAD, Russia.—A society for combating the high cost of living has opened a number of shops for the sale of provisions to the working population on the closest possible margin. Eleven of these shops have already been established. They are located in the vicinity of factories which are working for the national defense. It is proposed to open a total of 30 such shops in the near future.

A plan is being studied by the city duma contemplating the establishment of municipal dining rooms in convenient places throughout the residence districts.

BUILDING PERMITS

Mid-Pacific Institute, owner. Location, Manoa Valley. Dwelling. H. Knaack & Co., builders and architects. Estimated cost, \$2230.

Charles Dana Wright, owner. Location, Royal Grove, Waikiki, makai side of Koa avenue, 200 feet Waikiki from Uluniu street. Garage and servants' quarters. H. Knaack & Co., builders and architects. Estimated cost, \$3645.

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